

PATENT  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:

Inventor: Jeffrey R. Dahlen, et al.

Application No.: 09/835,298

Filed: April 13, 2001

Title: USE OF B-TYPE NATRIURETIC  
PEPTIDE AS A PROGNOSTIC  
INDICATOR IN ACUTE CORONARY  
SYNDROMES

Confirmation No.: 4762

Examiner: Ann Y. Lam

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

M/S Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2009. The shortened statutory period for response expires on June 13, 2009. The Response is submitted on May 22, 2009 and prior to the shortened statutory period for reply, therefore no extension fee is required to enter this Amendment.

Prior to reconsidering this application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

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Applicant **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.